

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 03 Apr 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 04 Apr 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 03 Apr 2021 at 03:04 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for another fine day for mst then turning unsettled and then much colder with some snow showers.

Headline for Saturday 03 Apr 2021: Dry and sunny, perhaps patchy cloud over the island ranges and far northwest.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 03 Apr 2021

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability					
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%

Forecast for Saturday 03 Apr 2021

Weather: A clear night with a frost in the glens and the odd mist patch. Then a dry sunny day with little or no cloud for most, just the chance of some patchy cloud over Skye and coastal hills of Western Sutherland.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90% or more, but 60% near west coast

Visibility: Excellent over most of area, though cloud at 450m may lap onto coastal hills bringing some poor visibility.

Forecast for Saturday 03 Apr 2021

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	10/13 NW	10/13 NW	11/15 NW	10/14 NW	10/14 W	15/20 W	21/28 SW
900	11/13 NW	10/13 NW	10/15 NW	9/14 NW	10/14 W	14/18 W	20/26 SW
600	9/11 N	8/12 N	9/13 NW	8/12 NW	8/12 W	8/12 W	14/20 SW
300	5/15 N	3/11 NW	4/11 NW	3/11 NW	2/10 W	2/13 W	3/18 W
Glen	10/16 N	2/7 NW	4/6 W	6/9 W	5/8 W	3/8 SW	4/11 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-1/-6	0/-4	2/-2	2/-2	2/-2	0/-5	-0/-7
900	-1/-6	1/-4	3/-1	3/-1	3/-1	1/-4	0/-6
600	1/-3	2/-2	4/1	5/2	4/1	2/-2	2/-4
300	3/0	5/4	8/7	8/7	6/5	4/2	2/1
Glen	4/1	7/6	8/7	8/6	7/5	5/4	4/3
Freezing Level*	700m	900m	1000m	1000m	900m	900m	700m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Nothing extra

Forecast for Sunday 04 Apr 2021

Weather: Starting clear but cloud sheet edging in from west in early hours. Eastern slopes of Ben Wyvis may start sunny before the cloud reaches there too in the morning. Some mainly light rain, with snow above 1000m, will develop later in the morning, with some heavier bursts developing, bringing snow level down to 700m. It will then brighten up to sunshine but become much colder, then some heavy snow showers will develop in late afternoon and evening, even down to low levels.

Maximum wind: WSW 30 gusts 40mph at first becoming westerly 45 gusts 70mph in the afternoon veering northwest in the evening decreasing 35 gusts 55mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% for much of the day rising to 40% in the evening.

Visibility: Moderate, occasionally poor in rain and snow. Very poor in heavier snow showers in the evening but good away from these. Cloud bases: Extensive at 450-750m in the cloud sheet spreading east bringing the rain, becoming broken by mid afternoon with occasional cloud to 450-600m in showers and some more persistent patches on higher tops.

Temperature: **Glens:** Around zero at midnight lifting to Plus 6 by morning, peaking at 8 in the rain then falling to around zero again in the evening.
At 800m: Plus 1, rising Plus 3 during the morning, falling to Minus 1 mid afternoon then Minus 5 in the evening.
Freezing level: 900m rising 1200m during the morning, falling 700m by mid afternoon then falling to all levels by dusk.

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